# **NEWS RELEASE**



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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Closures for I-5 HOV Improvement Project (Magnolia Blvd. to SR-134)

San Fernando Valley – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close the following lanes, ramps, and connectors of the Golden State Freeway (I-5) and the Ventura Freeway (SR-134) as part of a \$57.8 million improvement project to construct High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV or carpool) lanes in each direction along I-5 between SR-134 and Magnolia Boulevard. Closures are subject to change. Detours will be signed.

## Golden State Freeway (I-5) Closures

Sunday October 16, through Monday October 24, 2011

- Northbound I-5 Connector to Westbound SR-134
  TIME: 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 7 a.m. on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 9 a.m. on Sunday October 23rd)
- Southbound I-5 Connector to Eastbound SR-134
  TIME: 11 p.m. to 6 a .m. (Until 7 a.m. on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 9 a.m. on Sunday October 23rd)
- Westbound SR-134 Connector to Northbound I-5
   TIME: 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 7 a.m. on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 9 a.m. on Sunday October 23rd)
- Northbound I-5 Western Avenue Eastbound and Westbound On Ramp TIME: 7p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 12 p.m. on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday October 23rd) 9a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Northbound I-5 Western Avenue Eastbound and Westbound Off Ramp TIME: 7p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 12 p.m. on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday October 23rd) 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.



 Southbound I-5 Western Avenue Eastbound and Westbound On-Ramps TIME: 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 10 a.m. on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 12 p.m. on Sunday October 23<sup>rd</sup>)

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Southbound I-5 Western Avenue Westbound and Eastbound Off-Ramps
 TIME: 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 10 a.m. on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 12 p.m. on Sunday October 23rd)

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

- Northbound I-5 Eastbound and Westbound Olive Avenue/Verdugo Avenue Off-Ramps TIME: 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 9 a.m. on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 10 a.m. on Sunday October 23<sup>rd</sup>)
- Southbound I-5 Eastbound and Westbound Olive Avenue/Verdugo Avenue Off-Ramps TIME: 7 p.m. to 6 a.m (Until 12 p.m. on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday October 23rd) 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Northbound I-5 Eastbound and Westbound Alameda Avenue Off Ramp Time: 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 9 a.m. on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 10 a.m. on Sunday October 23rd)
- Northbound I-5 Eastbound and Westbound Alameda Avenue On Ramp Time: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Southbound I-5 Eastbound and Westbound Alameda Avenue Off Ramp TIME: 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 12 p.m. on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday October 23<sup>rd</sup>) 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Northbound I-5 from Colorado Boulevard to SR-134
   TIME: Up to two lanes 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. (until 8 a.m. on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 10 a.m. on Sunday October 23rd)
   Three lanes 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.
   Four Lanes- 1 a.m. to 5 a.m.
- Northbound I-5 from SR-134 to Burbank Boulevard
   TIME: Up to two lanes 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 7 a.m. on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 10
   a.m. on Sunday October 23rd)
   Three lanes 1 a.m. to 6 a.m.
- Southbound I-5 from Burbank Boulevard to SR-134
  TIME: Up to two lanes 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. (Until 7 a.m. on Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 9 a.m. on Sunday October 23rd)
  Three lanes –1 a.m. to 6 a.m.



### **About the Project**

This project is building a high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lane in each direction along the Golden State Freeway (I-5) between the Ventura Freeway (SR-134) and Magnolia Boulevard in Burbank, a total distance of 5.4 miles (2.7 miles in each direction). It is also constructing sound walls and retaining walls.

The new HOV lanes will alleviate congestion, encourage carpooling, improve air quality, provide a smoother ride for motorists, and reduce traffic on city streets.

Funding for this \$57.8 million project is provided by Proposition C. The contractor is Security Paving of Sun Valley, California. Work began in March 2011 and is expected to be completed in late 2014.

Caltrans thanks motorists for their patience and understanding during construction.

